

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 8, line 2 with the following:

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The cutting cylinders 3, 10 may have a plurality of blades, such as 2, 3 or 4 blades spaced 180 degrees, 120 degrees or 90 degrees apart, respectively.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please place the abstract on the attached replacement sheet.

REMARKS

The reply filed June 29, 2001 was not fully responsive and Applicant's representative apologizes for such oversight and thanks the Examiner for the opportunity to supplement the reply. Applicant has placed the abstract on a separate sheet and further revised the specification.

Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested based on the following comments.

Abstract and Specification

The revised abstract has been placed on a separate sheet.

The specification has been amended as suggested by the Examiner, so that bolts 12a in revised Fig. 2 are identified in the specification at page 6, line 17. Bolts 22a in revised Fig. 2 have also been described in the specification at page 7, line 1. At page 7, line 29, cutting surfaces are now identified as cutting edges, and at page 8, line 2, cylinder has been changed to cylinders 3,10.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the helpful suggestions. Withdrawal of the objection to the abstract and specification is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the application is now in condition for allowance. In addition, since withdrawn claims 2, 10 to 14, 16 and 17 depend from generic claim 1, which is respectfully submitted to be allowable, it is respectfully requested that these claims also be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,

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ADDENDUM SHOWING CHANGES TO SPECIFICATION AND ABSTRACT

IN THE SPECIFICATION

The paragraph beginning on page 6, line 14 with the following:

Fig. 2 shows the cutting cylinder 10 and anvil cylinder 20 in more detail. Cutting cylinder 10 includes an axle 16 which may be connected to a motor to drive cylinder 10. About axle 16 is a two-part hub 12, preferably metallic, which can be bolted together by bolts 12a as shown. Segmented cutting blades 19 fit between the two parts of hub 12 and may also be fastened by bolts 12a to hub 12.

The paragraph beginning on page 6, line 29 with the following:

Anvil cylinder 20 includes an axle 26 which may be geared to the drive motor for cutting cylinder 10 to rotate at the same speed as cutting cylinder 10. An independent drive motor may also be provided. A metallic hub 22 can be bolted by bolts 22a and fastened around axle 26. A urethane or other nipping material layer 24 may be prebonded to each side of hub 22, or may be added over hub 22 once it is fastened about axle 26. Alternatively, hub 22 may be a single piece construction.

The paragraph beginning on page 7, line 28 with the following:

Each of the first cuts has a particular length defined by the width cutting [surfaces] edges 45 (Fig. 3). As defined herein, the first and second belts being “at” the first cuts is defined as the belts contacting the web on both sides perpendicular to the cut, but not necessarily over the entire length of the cut.

The paragraph beginning on page 8, line 2 with the following:

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IN THE ABSTRACT

The abstract has been placed on a separate sheet. Changes from the original are shown in the amendment filed June 29, 2001.